

## WOMEN THAT SLAY

Many Bloody and Cruel Deeds Committed by Them.

The Peculiar Case of Young Maria Barberi—Mrs. Kettering Killed Her Husband for His Insurance Money—Beauty Goes Free.

Strange, indeed, are the thoughts that rise to the brain of any right-thinking man when he is called on to consider women as criminals.

Gentleness, loveliness, refinement, modesty and kindness are the qualities that endear women to men.

To think of women as vicious, unlovely, coarse, brazen and rough is to rob them of all their sweet womanliness—to unsex them and make them abhorrent to masculine eyes.

History and fiction alike have presented women criminals as creatures frightfully repulsive, and the mind shudders when it contemplates the character of Catherine of Russia, who could for evil passion's sake send her forced lovers from soft embraces to Siberian mines.

It shudders still, but finds excuse for Charlotte Corday stabbing Robespierre in his bath, and for that most beautiful and dreadful monster, Cleopatra, "glorious sorceress of the Nile." All pure hearts have shivered in unadvised horror before the picture that presents her jolting upon cushions beneath a canopy, fanned and ministered to by attendants scarcely less beautiful than she, while upon the ground in front of her lay half a score of wretched slaves dying from the effects of different poisons administered by her order, that she might know the effect of the drugs.

Lucretia Borgia, in a later age, gained for herself immortal infamy in crime. Shakespeare shows us in Lady Macbeth, and in the characters of other wicked women, whose crimes are pictured in his marvelous lines, visions of terrifying horror, before which the world must hide its ashen face as long as time shall last. We do not look for crime in women, and it is a fact that women are less criminally inclined than men. Lombroso, of Turin, whose

learned investigations in criminology have so recently startled the world, brings out this fact in cold statistics, but he only tells us what we knew before without his laborious tabular statements. Women are naturally more tender, and they are truer than men—who does not know that? Just now, when for some strange and inexplicable reason, we appear to be passing through a period (let us hope that it is a short one) when women's crimes occupy an unusually prominent place in the daily record of wrong doing, the world shudders at the record.

The news columns of the daily papers have seldom, if ever, contained such a list of feminine horrors as the accounts published recently. No less than seven terrible crimes, committed by women, are just now before the public. From the files of the Cincinnati Enquirer, during ten days the following ghastly record is made:

MARIA BARBERI—Cut the throat of Domenico Cataldo with a razor, in New York city. She is sentenced to be put to death by electricity.

MARY A. KETTERING—Poisoned her husband, Andrew J. Kettering, near Madison, Ind. T. She will be hanged in October next.

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Take a Tumor from His Side. W. L. Sheldon, who lives near Siddly, Morris county, Kan., has known for eight years a tumor was growing in his right side. He finally decided that if he lived it would have to come out. He had no faith in doctors, declaring that he knew as much about tumors as any of them. To prove to his neighbors that he did, he fixed a time when he would himself apply the knife. Several friends protested against this operation, but he would not be swayed. He cut a gash eight inches long in his side and successfully removed a tumor that weighed twelve ounces. He sewed up the cut and the third day he was in Skiddy visiting his friends. His wound is healing up nicely and he feels no bad effects.

A Hen Started a Church. A Mahanoy City (Pa.) chicken flew into a church and laid an egg on one of the seats. A Pottsville young lady found the egg and took it home, used it in baking a cake and thus started a fund for the building of a new Methodist Episcopal church at that place, which fund is growing to large proportions.

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BLOOMER MONUMENT. The Inventor of the Queer Garment to Be Immortalized in Stone. Lovely woman in bloomers is to be immortalized by a monument, says the New York World. This is the surest of all signs that bloomers have come to stay. The monument will be erected in honor of Mrs. Amelia Bloomer, the woman who first wore bloomers, and who gave the costume its name. Her sisters who are behind this interesting

project are most of them bicycle riders, but the progressive woman suffrage element is in favor of it also. Mrs. Ellen Battelle Dietrich, who is prominent in this novel plan of popularizing bloomers. Mrs. Russell Sage is also said to favor it. No definite plan

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